computerized) the maximum rate information so that they can verify that bids for release packages do not exceed the maximum rate.

Pipelines will be required to implement the new fields by February 1, 1995. The "Standardized Data Sets and Communication Protocols" will be modified to include the new fields and will be made available at the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch.

The Commission Orders

(A) The Commission will accept the proposed fields for maximum reservation rate and maximum volumetric rate and the related EDI implementation guide changes as proposed in the November 4, 1994 filing with the modification that the maximum rate fields will be mandatory.

(B) Pipelines must implement these new fields by February 1, 1995.

By the Commission.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

32 CFR Parts 43a, 112, and 113

[DoD Directive 1344.9 and DoD Instruction 1344.12]

RIN 0790-AF65 and RIN 0790-AF80

Indebtedness of Military Personnel

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: 5 U.S.C. 5520a(k) required the Department of Defense to "promulgate regulations" by April 4, 1994 for the involuntary allotment of pay from members of the Armed Forces for debts reduced to judgments. The Department published its proposed rule in the Federal Register on April 26, 1994 (59 FR 21713). This final rule satisfies 5 U.S.C. 5520a(k) by promulgating regulations with regard to members of the Armed Forces which include provisions for the involuntary allotment of the pay of a member of the Armed Forces for indebtedness owed a third party as determined by the final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction, and as further determined by competent military or executive authority, as appropriate, to be in compliance with the procedural requirements of the Soldiers' and

Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940; and which gives consideration for the absence of a member of the Armed Forces from an appearance in a judicial proceeding resulting from exigencies of military duty.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 1995. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Major Alan L. Cook, (703) 697-3387. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Following publication of the Department of Defense's proposed rule, the Department received several public comments. After review of the comments, the Department amended its proposed rule accordingly. Some of the major changes included increasing the percentage of a member's pay that could be collected by a debtor pursuant to an involuntary allotment; deleting the requirement that a judgment could not be more than two years old in order for the Department to process an involuntary allotment request; and establishing appeal procedures for debtors from determinations by commanders that preclude collection by involuntary allotment because of exigencies of military duties. Additionally, the Coast Guard coordinated with the Department of Defense to be included in the regulations published by the Department of Defense. Note, the Department originally intended to publish its final regulation, which included both policy and procedural provisions, in the form of a DoD directive. However, due to internal Department of Defense guidance published in DoD 5025.1-M1 (August 1994), directives may no longer include procedures. The procedures that were contained in the proposed rule have been placed in a DoD instruction. Accordingly, the final rule is now in two parts. The first part, 32 CFR part 112, is based on the DoD directive that contains broad policy guidance. The second part, 32 CFR part 113, reflects the DoD instruction and contains the Department's procedural guidance. The substance of both parts are derived from the proposed rule as originally published on April 26. Additionally, it has been determined that 32 CFR parts 112 and 113 are not significant regulation actions. The rules do not: (1) Have an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more or adversely affect in a material way the economy, a sector of the economy, productivity, competition, jobs, the environment, public health or safety, or State, local, or tribal governments or communities; (2) Create a serious inconsistency or

otherwise interfere with an action taken or planned by another agency; (3) Materially alter the budgetary impact of entitlements, grants, user fees, or loan programs or the rights and obligations of recipients thereof; or (4) Raise novel legal or policy issues arising out of legal mandates, the President's priorities, or the principles set forth in this Executive Order. It has also been determined that this rule is not subject to the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601) because it will not have a significant adverse economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. The primary financial effect on administering the rule will be a reduction in administrative costs and other burdens resulting from the simplification and clarification of certain policies. Additionally, it has been determined that 32 CFR part 112 does not impose any reporting or recordkeeping requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520). 32 CFR part 113 imposes an information collection requirement for which the paperwork has been completed. The OMB approval number is 0704-0367. Specifically, OMB provided their approval for the collection of information required by DD Form 2653, appendix C to 32 CFR part 113, that was originally intended to be included in the DoD directive but had to be moved to the DoD instruction (for internal reasons as noted above). Finally, application forms for involuntary allotment (DD Form 2653, "Involuntary Allotment Application," as described in 32 CFR part 113, appendix C) may be obtained from the **Defense Finance and Accounting** Service, Cleveland Center, Code L, PO Box 998002, Cleveland, Ohio 44199-8002, telephone (216) 522-5301.

List of Subjects in 32 CFR Parts 43a, 112 and 113

Claims, Credit, Military personnel.

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Accordingly, under the authority of 10 U.S.C. 301, Title 32 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter I, Subchapter C, is amended to read as follows:

Dated: December 28, 1994.

PART 43a—[REMOVED]

- 1. Part 43a is removed.
- 2. 32 CFR parts 112 and 113 are added to read as follows:

¹Copies may be obtained, at cost, from the National Technical Information Service, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22161.